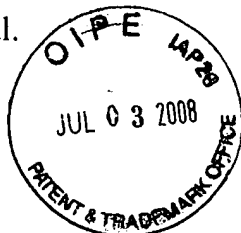


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AMENDMENT A

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 31, 2008, applicant provides the following amendments and remarks.